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- 11. On June 2, 2006, Embassy delivered to Secretary Everton F. Lucero, Chief of the Division of Science and Technology, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (DCTEC/MFA), for review and approval, the National Institutes of Health's (NIH) proposed award of a research project titled "Retrovirus Epidemiology Donor Study-II," (number HB 047175). The sites covered in this project are under the direction of Dr. Anna Carneiro-Proietti, at the Fundacao Centro de Hematologia de Minas Gerais (HEMOMINAS); Dr. Thelma T. Goncalez, at Fundacao Pro-Sangue/Hemocentro de Sao Paulo (FPS/HSP); Dr. Divaldo Sampaio, at Hospital das Clinicas da Universidade Federal de Pernambuco (HEMOPE), Pernambuco; and, Dr. Ester Sabino, Fundacao Faculdade de Medicina, Sao Paulo, Brazil.
- 12. The Embassy sees no adverse foreign policy implications with respect to this research project. We emphasize the importance of complying with Brazilian laws on the export of data and biological material.
- 13. We are providing this assessment of foreign policy implications in advance of receiving approval from the Brazilian Government for the proposed research to go forward, in order to assist NIH in completing the domestic review process. Upon receipt of Brazilian approval, the Embassy will notify NIH by cable.

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